

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC COMMENT**  
**PAMUNKEY RIVER BASIN TMDLS**

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) seek written and oral comments from interested persons on the development of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) to address water quality impairments of specific stream segments in the following eight watersheds: Pamunkey River, South Anna River, Totopotomoy Creek, Newfound River, Taylor's Creek, Black's Creek, Monquin Creek/Webb Creek and Northeast Creek. The subject stream segments, all in the Pamunkey River Basin, are identified in Virginia's 2004 305(b)/303(d) *Report on Impaired Waters* as impaired due to exceedances of the State's water quality criterion for fecal coliform bacteria.

Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and §62.1-44.19:7.C of the Code of Virginia require DEQ to develop TMDLs for pollutants responsible for each impaired water contained in Virginia's 303(d) list.

The impaired stream segments are located in Hanover, King William, Louisa, New Kent, Orange, and Spotsylvania counties, as set forth in the table below.

| <b>Stream</b>  | <b>County/City</b>        | <b>Length (mi.)</b>  | <b>Impairment</b> |
|----------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Pamunkey River | King William, New<br>Kent | 0.84 square<br>miles | Bacteria          |

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|------------------------------|----------------|-------|----------|
| Black's Creek                | New Kent       | 2.61  | Bacteria |
| Monquin Creek,<br>Webb Creek | King William   | 11.83 | Bacteria |
| Totopotomoy Creek            | Hanover        | 9.6   | Bacteria |
| South Anna River             | Hanover        | 22.22 | Bacteria |
| Newfound River               | Hanover        | 10.61 | Bacteria |
| South Anna River             | Hanover        | 4.63  | Bacteria |
| Taylor's Creek               | Louisa         | 16.26 | Bacteria |
| South Anna River             | Louisa         | 6.27  | Bacteria |
| South Anna River             | Orange, Louisa | 7.0   | Bacteria |
| Northeast Creek              | Spotsylvania   | 1.04  | Bacteria |

The second series of public meetings on the Pamunkey Basin TMDLs development will be held **Wednesday, December 7 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Louisa County Government Center, Extension Room; 1 Woolfolk Avenue, Louisa, VA; and on **Thursday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Eastern Hanover Volunteer Company #3 meeting room, located at 4428 Mechanicsville Turnpike, Mechanicsville, VA.

The public comment period for this phase of the TMDL study will begin on December 7, 2005, and end on January 7, 2006. Fact Sheets on the development of the TMDLs for the impairments referenced above are available upon request, or at <http://www.deq.virginia.gov/tmdl/>. Questions or information requests should be addressed to Chris French for Spotsylvania, Hanover, King William and New Kent counties; or Bryant Thomas for questions relating to Orange and Louisa counties. Written comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the

person submitting the comments and should be sent to:

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